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Mission Statement

St. Joseph Parish... "is a vibrant faith community" committed to **seeking** a full Christian life, **sharing** an active Catholic faith, and **serving** others with love, grace and dignity.

Sacramental Preparation

Baptism: By Appointment
Reconciliation: Saturday 3pm
or By Appointment
Matrimony: Contact Pastor Six months prior

Anointing of the Sick & Visits

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ID # 55334

A Note From Fr. Jim Kinney

Teilhard DeChardin was a Jesuit priest, philosopher, and mystic who would have embraced our first reading from Isaiah with great gusto. Teilhard saw reality as both matter and spirit and saw it that way from the very beginning, literally some 14 billion years before Christ was born. He also saw it evolving to its ultimate union in Christ, as did the apostle Paul, as the ultimate culmination of all of creation and humanity's evolution. As we enter Advent once again, we are not preparing for the Christ Child; that already happened more than two thousand years ago. Emmanuel, God-with-us, is drawing us toward that vision of peace and unity seen by both Isaiah and Fr. Teilhard.

In the second reading Paul exhorts us to throw off the works of darkness and put on the armor of light. The physics of light, quantum physics, proves what Teilhard and Isaiah both would have proclaimed, that all of creation- all of life- is interconnected in God's providential plan. But Teilhard and Paul would have warned that evolution or, for Paul God's providence, does not come without a struggle. Paul imagines Christians going into battle. Similarly, Fr. Teilhard does not see evolution as a straight line, uninterrupted by evil, even as it heads inexorably to perfection in Christ. Having served in World War I, he knows the reality of war.

The readings for Sunday urge us to go beyond defensive preparations. Ready ourselves for the full expression of the peaceable kingdom also entails initiating nonviolent action to dismantle weapons of war, whether on human battlefields or against the earth and all the God-given creation by which we are nourished. The images of the unprepared ones whose homes are broken into or who are left behind are not meant to frighten us but to trust that there will be an end time when all preparations bear fruit.

Blessings, Fr. Jim

Liturgical Roles

Saturday, December 6

Lector
Jim Jones

Communion Minister
Jennifer Hollon

Servers
Volunteers

Sunday, December 7

Lector
Joe Prekopa,
Stacey Maslin

Communion Minister
Courtney Davis,
Mary Hammonds

Servers
Josh McBride

Blessings for November: Jacquelyn Kirby-1, Alex Rowady-1, Suzanne Bast-6, Amelia Flores-6, Sandy Hatler-6, Julia Pohl-6, Cindy Burchett-7, Bobby Hollon-7, Jennifer Hollon-7, Riley Wilson-10, Kenneth Andries-12, Brenda Davies-12, Addison Horn-12, Melody Jackson-13, James Houchin-13, Ryan Davis-14, Richard Brantigan-16, Carmack Kersey-17, Lucas Williams-18, Joyce Gomez-19, Jeff May-19, Steven Davies-20, Brady Neely-20, Emily Grant-22, Sharon McDaniel-22, Regina Peyton-22, Elli Sladic-22, David Ballard-23, Susan Wallace-24, Kathy Houlihan-26, Liliana Leal-27, Joelle Ballard-30



Happy Birthday !

	Thru 11/23
Total (Offertory Only)	\$106,170
Budget (Offertory Only)	\$121,170
Excess/(Short)	(\$15,000)



Second Week of Advent Bulletin for Sunday, November 30, 2025

Mass Intentions Tuesday, December 2

12:00 pm
Bill Koblitz
(Chapel)

Wednesday, December 3

12:00 pm
Robert Fanning
(Chapel)

Thursday, December 4

12:00 pm
Richard Hayden
(Chapel)

Friday, December 5

8:30 am
Sue Green (L)
(Church)

Adoration in the Chapel
9am to 8pm

Saturday, December 6

3:00 pm Confession
3:10 pm Rosary
4:00 pm
Andrew Begley
(Church)

Sunday, December 7

8:30 am
Bernard Smith
9:30am Rosary
2:00 pm (Spanish)
"Pro Populi"
(For the People)



Prayer List

Dolores Strohacker, Wanda Bachman, Greg Pena, Gene Woestman, Joyce Sloan, Sharon Vetter, Fredwyn Schwendeman, Jo Brennan, Mary Jo McCormick, Mary Frances Puckett, Deborah Roach, Jon Keller

Rachel Riddell, Vicki Embs, Ashley Kelley, Royce A. Paynter, Bill Massey, Willa Massey, Jeff White, Frank Glunz, Shawn Roach, John Owens, Jane Ann Tomlinson

LAUDATO SI: Pray that we may grow strong in hope and active in efforts to heal and renew Earth. Please remember all who are forgotten or thrown away, and especially for the poor, the sick and the aged: that God might change our hearts and move us to love them as the image of Christ



Daily Mass and Adoration are in the chapel. Friday daily Mass is in the Church when St. Agatha is in session.



"Don't you realize that Jesus is there in the Blessed Sacrament expressly for you alone? He burns with the desire to come into your heart!"-St Therese of Lisieux Join us for Adoration Fridays 9am-8pm in the Chapel.

The Women of St. Joseph:

Upcoming Events:

December 5: Winchester Chorale. We will meet at Queso Time at 5pm for dinner then off to the Chorale at 7pm. Please let us know if you can make the dinner.

December 21: Help Decorate the Church for Christmas

January 9: Hot Chocolate Social at Kathy Beauchamp's house at 6pm. Bring a dessert/appetizer to share. All are invited!!

Senior Group:

Senior Outing: Merry Christmas! Enjoy your Family!!

Senior Potluck Lunch in the Hall on December 1 at 11:30 am. Bring a Christmas Card to Exchange. All are invited to attend.

ST. VINCENT DEPAUL:

Meeting December 2 at 7pm
SVDP Item of the Month: Canned Soup
SVDP: Sign up for the Kroger Rewards Program at www.kroger.com
ID # 55334 which benefits SVDP and St. Agatha.

Knights of Columbus:

Grand Knight: Matt Goulet (606) 425-1980
Next Meeting: December 9 at 7pm

Link for This Weeks Daily Readings can be found at,
<https://bible.usccb.org/bible/readings>

Parish Information:

SVDP Tree of Love... Help us make Christmas a little brighter

this year for needy families in Clark County by being a Tree of Love sponsor. Each decoration on the Tree has information about the child or nursing home resident you will sponsor. Take the two part tag from the tree, **put your name and phone number on the white tag and drop it in the box near the tree.** The colored tag should be securely attached to the wrapped gifts that are due back no later than December 14. We suggest that your gifts for children include warm school clothing and a wish item. Take a tag and get involved, you will be glad you did!! Call Tari Morse 931-494-4596 if you have questions or would like to Volunteer to Wrap, Shop or Deliver Gifts. Blessings to you and your family.

Little Blue Books are in the back of church for Advent. Suggested Donation is \$2.

2026 Church Calendars are in the back of church. Please take one per family.

Please lend your support to **St. Agatha Academy, St. Vincent de Paul and Rapha Ministries** on December 2 during Good Giving Day! (now known as Bluegrass Gives). [https://](https://www.bggives.org/organizations)



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St. Agatha Donations will go towards maintenance for the student restrooms and school bus. Thank you for your generosity!



St. Joseph Parish Advent Party

December 7 at 3:30 pm. The main dish and drinks are provided. **A-L** desserts **M-Z** salad or sides **Bring an ornament for the Ornament Exchange!** **Can you keep a secret...Santa will be here! All are invited!!!**

St. Joseph Penance Service will be December 10 at 6 pm.

It's Pancake Time!!! Join the Knights of Columbus for our COMPLIMENTARY

Pancake Breakfast after Mass on December 14.

Items served include pancakes, eggs, sausage, bacon, biscuits n'gravy with juice, milk and coffee. There will be **no** Fellowship coffee and doughnuts.



Christmas Flower Memorials to remember a loved one or commemorate an event, envelopes are in the back of Church. Suggested donation is \$10.

Bible Study: The Great Adventure Catholic Bible Timeline. Sundays after Mass (9:45) starting January 11. Call Kathie (859) 808-1269 for more information or to volunteer.

If you or someone you know is in need of our **Homebound Ministry** please contact the Church Office.



St. Agatha Academy News:

8th grade class fundraiser: Creative Coffees Proceeds fund their class trip to **Yellowstone!** Scan the QR code to place an order. Thank you for your support!



St. Agatha Academy Registration for 2025-2026
Montessori Preschool - 8th Grade Tuition Assistance Available. Call 859-744-6484 for a personal tour or visit saintagathaacademy.org school office 859-744-6484 if you need assistance or would like a tour.

Faith Formation:

Kathie Schweikart (859) 808-1269

December 3: Religious Ed Family Rosary at 6pm in the Church. All students expected to attend.

December 4: Youth Group 6pm

IT IS DIOCESAN ANNUAL APPEAL TIME: Prayerfully consider how you can help St. Joseph meet our 65% Participation Goal. We are at 56% we need 18 more families to meet goal. Prayerfully Consider being a VOLUNTEER!!!

Please help us update our Database. If you have recently married, moved, have had children, notice your birthday is not in our birthday list, had a family member pass away or need to register as a member of the Church, contact the office or email us with your updated information.

Mass Intentions are now available for 2026.

Please call the office to schedule a Mass for your loved ones.

Join our text messaging system...Flocknotes is our way of communicating information to parishioners. Texting rates may apply. **Are you good at praying for others? We have an online prayer group.** Call the office if you would like to be added to either of these Flocknote texting lists.

Leaving town for a much needed Vacation??? Or just looking for an easier way to manage your donations? We have an Auto Withdrawal system for your Offertory Collections... Vanco Solutions manages the Donate button located on our website: www.stjosephwinchester.com and is PCI Compliant. Click on the Donate button and follow the prompts for Online giving. Thank you for your support.

If you have something that needs to be announced at Mass PLEASE email it to stjoseph@cdlex.org by Thursday at 5 pm!



St. Joseph Christmas Mass Schedule

Christmas Eve, December 24: 4:00 pm
Christmas Day, December 25: 8:30 am English and 2:00 pm Spanish

New Years Mass Schedule

New Years Day, January 1: 10:00 am English and 2:00 pm Spanish

CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF LEXINGTON AND OUTSIDE OPPORTUNITIES:

Freewill, free to all parishioners, allows you to make a legally valid will in the privacy of your home. It allows you to include a health directive and even a gift to your church if you choose. **Freewill**, can ensure that your gifts are stewarded in a manner that honors your legacy, and blesses generations to come. Website: www.freewill.com/catholicdioceseoflexington Contact Robert Watts, Sara Spellman or Emma Jones in the Development Office at 859-253-2993.

Grace Marriage The program consists of four quarterly mini-retreats (9am-1pm on a Saturday) and is open to couples in any parish (and non-Catholic couples too!). For info and to register, see cdlex.org/grace-marriage.

Catholic Singles of the Bluegrass Second Saturdays Coffee are at 11 am at DV8 Kitchen in Lexington. All are invited to meet and learn about other events. For info go to CatholicSinglesoftheBluegrass@gmail.com

Información de comunidad Español

Teilhard DeChardin fue un sacerdote jesuita, filósofo y místico que habría acogido con gran entusiasmo nuestra primera lectura de Isaías. Teilhard veía la realidad tanto como materia como espíritu y la vio así desde el principio, literalmente unos 14.000 millones de años antes de que Cristo naciera. También la veía evolucionando hacia su unión última en Cristo, al igual que el apóstol Pablo, como la culminación última de toda la creación y la evolución de la humanidad. Al entrar de nuevo en el Adviento, no nos estamos preparando para el Niño Jesús; Eso ya ocurrió hace más de dos mil años. Emmanuel, Dios-con-nosotros, nos está atrayendo hacia esa visión de paz y unidad que han visto tanto Isaías como el padre Teilhard.

En la segunda lectura, Pablo nos exhorta a desprendernos de las obras de las tinieblas y ponernos la armadura de la luz. La física de la luz, la física cuántica, demuestra lo que tanto Teilhard como Isaías habrían proclamado: que toda la creación —toda la vida— está interconectada en el plan providencial de Dios. Pero Teilhard y Pablo habrían advertido que la evolución o, para la providencia de Dios, no llega sin lucha. Pablo imagina a los cristianos yendo a la batalla. De manera similar, el padre Teilhard no ve la evolución como una línea recta, sin interrupciones por el mal, aunque se dirige inexorablemente a la perfección en Cristo. Habiendo servido en la Primera Guerra Mundial, conoce la realidad de la guerra.

Las lecturas del domingo nos instan a ir más allá de las preparaciones defensivas. Prepararnos para la plena expresión del reino pacífico también implica iniciar acciones no violentas para dismantelar las armas de guerra, ya sea en los campos de batalla humanos o contra la tierra y toda la creación dada por Dios que nos alimenta. Las imágenes de los desprevénidos cuyos hogares son asaltados o que quedan atrás no pretenden asustarnos, sino confiar en que llegará un tiempo final cuando todos los preparativos den frutos.

Paz, Padre Jim

Laudato Si: Ora para que crezcamos fuertes en la esperanza y activos en los esfuerzos por sanar y renovar la Tierra. Por favor, recordad a todos los que son olvidados o desechados, y especialmente para los pobres, los enfermos y los ancianos: para que Dios cambie nuestros corazones y nos mueva a amarlos como a imagen de Cristo.

Acompáñanos los viernes a las 8 p.m. en la iglesia para rezar el rosario. Trae algo de comida para compartir después de la oración.

SVDP Árbol del amor... Ayúdenos a hacer que la Navidad sea un poco más brillante este año para las familias necesitadas del condado de Clark siendo un patrocinador de Tree of Love.



Cada decoración del árbol tiene información sobre el niño o residente del hogar de ancianos que patrocinará. Simplemente tome la etiqueta de dos partes del árbol, **ponga su nombre y número de teléfono en la etiqueta blanca y colóquela en la caja cerca del árbol.** La etiqueta de color debe estar bien adherida a los regalos envueltos que deben devolverse a más tardar el 14 de diciembre. Sugerimos que sus regalos para niños incluyan ropa escolar abrigada y un artículo de deseo.

Toma una etiqueta y participa, ¡te alegrarás de haberlo hecho! Llame o texto Tari Morse 931-494-4596 si tiene preguntas o desea ofrecerse como voluntario para envolver, comprar o entregar regalos. Bendiciones para ti y tu familia

Educación religiosa 2025/2026 Rosario familias en la iglesia para todas las familias de educación religiosa este miércoles 3 de diciembre a las 6 p.m. Bilingüe.

Las clases de educación religiosa son los miércoles a las 6 pm para todos los niños de los grados K-7 que no asiste a una escuela católica. Todas las clases de los años son obligatorias para recibir los sacramentos.

"¿No os dais cuenta de que Jesús está en el Santísimo Sacramento expresamente para vosotros? ¡Arde con el deseo de entrar en tu corazón!" +Santa Teresa de Lisieux **Unase a nosotros para la adoración los viernes de 9am a 8pm en la capilla.**



Los Pequeños Libros Azules están en la parte trasera de la iglesia para el Adviento. La donación sugerida es de 2 dólares.

Los calendarios de la iglesia de 2026 están en la parte trasera de la iglesia. Por favor, toma uno por familia.



Fiesta de Adviento de la Parroquia de San José 7 de diciembre a las 15:30. Se ofrece el

plato principal y las bebidas. A-L Postres M-Z Ensalada o acompañamientos ¡Lleva un adorno para el Intercambio de Adornos! ¿Puedes guardar un secreto... ¡Papá Noel llegará! Todos están invitados!!

2026 **Contacto la oficina** de la iglesia o hable con Deacon John para registrarse en nuestra parroquia. ¿Necesitas algo anunciado en el boletín? Texto Kathie 859-808-1269.

Horario de la misa navideña de San José

Nochebuena, 24 de diciembre: 4 pm inglés

Día de Navidad, 25 de diciembre: 8:30 am inglés y 2 pm en español.

Calendario de misas de Año Nuevo

Año Nuevo, 1 de enero: 10:00 am inglés y 2 pm en español.

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